

Honorable Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr.
Speaker of the House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

This letter transmits for the consideration of the Congress a proposed "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1984."

To capitalize on the significant steps which the Executive and Legislative Branches have taken together toward revitalization of our nation's Intelligence Community, we must ensure sufficient resources in Fiscal Year 1984 to continue building the intelligence capabilities needed to meet the challenges of the late 1980s and beyond. I am confident that the Congress will provide the resources necessary to keep us firmly on the path of progress which we have charted together.

The proposed Intelligence Authorization Act is accompanied by a detailed section-by-section explanation. Timely consideration of the "Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1984" would be most welcome. The Office of Management and Budget has advised that enactment of this proposed legislation would be in accord with the President's program.

Sincerely,

William J. Casey

Enclosure